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AMENDMENT B (IN RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 8  
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REMARKS

Claims 1-26 were pending in this case. In the amendment hereinabove, claims 6-8, 10, 11, 21-23, 25 and 26 have been cancelled. Accordingly, claims 1-5, 9, 12-20 and 24 are now pending in this case.

Claims 6, 7, 8, 21, 22, and 23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Ryu, U.S. Patent No. 6,226,047 ("Ryu"). These claims have been cancelled hereinabove and will be the subject of a continuation application to be filed prior to issuance of the present application. Accordingly, it is submitted that this rejection is now moot.

Claims 10, 11, 25, and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ryu. These claims have been cancelled hereinabove and will be the subject of a continuation application to be filed prior to issuance of the present application. Accordingly, it is submitted that this rejection is now moot.

Claims 1-5, 9, 12-20 and 24 are identified as being allowed.

Based upon the foregoing amendment, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned to further discuss any questions or concerns so as to expedite issuance of a patent based upon this application.

Also, the Examiner is respectfully requested to note that the correspondence address, telephone number and USPTO customer number for the undersigned have changed and are all provided hereinbelow. (Formal notification to the Office is presently in process.)

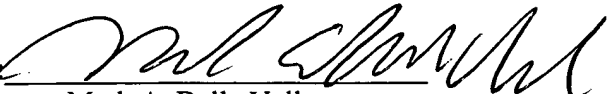
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